

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 221**

March 29, 2015

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Expands the definitions of “sex crime” and “sex offender” under Title 33, Chapter 6, Part 8 to include aggravated rape, sexual battery, and aggravated sexual battery relative to evaluations of inmates by a mental health professional upon being admitted to and prior to being released from a penal facility.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- The Department of Correction (DOC) reports that the bill will not significantly impact their operations as they are only responsible for identifying the necessary inmates for evaluation. The Department of Mental Health (Mental Health) conducts the evaluations.
- Mental Health reports that the bill will not significantly impact their operations as the DOC identifies all inmates that may meet commitment criteria, and therefore require evaluation, even inmates that are not included within the definitions of “sex crime” and “sex offender”.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jeffrey L. Spalding".

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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